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Applicant: Arihiro Takeda
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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE AND
THIN FILM TRANSISTOR SUBSTRATE
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Examiner: Dudek, James A.

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Attorney for Applicant(s)RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed January 20, 2004, applicants elect Group I, Claims 1-7, without traverse.

With respect to Species (1), applicants elect subspecies (b), with traverse.

With respect to Species (2), applicants elect subspecies (b), with traverse.

With respect to Species (3), applicants elect subspecies (a), with traverse.

Claims 1-7 read on subspecies (1)(b), claim 7 reads on subspecies (2)(b), and claims 1-4 read on subspecies (3)(a).

Applicants traverse the species election requirement because a search of all of the species would not place an undue burden on the examiner. The elected claims in Group I share several features in common, and a search for one species would overlap with the search of the other species. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the election requirement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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